IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF VIRGINIA RICHMOND DIVISION

In re: Bear Island Paper Company, L.L.C. Case No. 10-31202 (DOT)

MONTHLY OPERATING REPORT

JANUARY 1, 2011 THROUGH JANUARY 31, 2011

Required Documents	Form No.	Documents Attached	Explanation Attached	Affidavit/Supplement Attached
Balance Sheet	MOR-1	X		
Income Statement	MOR-2	X		
Cash Receipts and Disbursements	MOR-3	X		
Accounts Receivable Aging	MOR-4a	X		
Aging of Postpetition Payables	MOR-4b	X		
Status of Postpetition Taxes	MOR-4c		X	
Bank Reconciliations	MOR-5a	X	X	
Investment Accounts	MOR-5b			
Cash	MOR-5c	X		
Insider Payments	MOR-6a			
Restructuring Professional Payments	MOR-6b	X	X	
Postpetition Status of Leases Payable	MOR-6c	X		
Adequate Protection Payments	MOR-6d			
Debtor Questionnaire	MOR-7a	X		X
Insurance	MOR-7b	X		

IN ACCORDANCE WITH TITLE 28, SECTION 1746, OF THE UNITED STATES CODE, I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT I HAVE EXAMINED THE FOLLOWING MONTHLY OPERATING REPORT (MOR-I THROUGH MOR-7) AND THE ACCOMPANYING ATTACHMENTS AND, TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, THESE DOCUMENTS ARE TRUE, CORRECT AND COMPLETE. DECLARATION OF THE PREPARER (OTHER THAN RESPONSIBLE PARTY) IS BASED ON ALL INFORMATION OF WHICH PREPARER HAS ANY KNOWLEDGE.

RESPONSIBLE PARTY:	Vice President Finance, Treasurer & Secretary
ORIGINAL SIGNATURE OF RESPONSIBLE PARTY	TITLE
Jay A. Epstein	February 28, 2011
PRINTED NAME OF RESPONSIBLE PARTY	DATE
PREPARER: Ce Agallul ORIGINAL SIGNATURE OF PREPARER	Manager, Cash/Treasury TITLE
Eric A. Goebel PRINTED NAME OF PREPARER	February 28, 2011

BALANCE SHEET (MOR-1) JANUARY 31, 2011 (IN USD)

ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS:					
Cash				\$	10,323,991
Accounts Receivable - Trade					10,120,113
Accounts Receivable - Other					456,342
Due from White Birch Paper Co	ompany				913,929
Inventory:					
Raw Materials & Stores		\$	11,418,712		
Finished Goods		_	5,786,433		17,205,145
Timberdeeds			_		22,951
Accrued Service Charge					17,244
Deposits, Prepaid Expenses and	Other				2,811,780
7	Total Current Assets				41,871,495
FIXED ASSETS:					
Machinery & Equipment		\$	253,400,821		
Timberlands			1,067,654		
		_	254,468,475		
Less - Accumulated Depreciation	on and Depletion	_	(153,690,330)		100,778,145
1	Total Assets			\$ <u></u>	142,649,640
	LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDE	RS' EQUI	TY		
CURRENT LIABILITIES:					
Accounts Payable and Accrued	Liabilities			\$	10,720,132
Current Portion Capitalized Lea				•	
					10.943
1	Total Current Liabilities			_	10,943
LIABILITIES SUBJECT TO COMP	Fotal Current Liabilities				
	Fotal Current Liabilities		5,738	_	
LIABILITIES SUBJECT TO COMP	Fotal Current Liabilities ROMISE:		5,738 59,822	_	
LIABILITIES SUBJECT TO COMP Intercompany F.F. Soucy L.P.	Fotal Current Liabilities ROMISE:		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	_	
LIABILITIES SUBJECT TO COMP Intercompany F.F. Soucy L.P. Intercompany Brant Industries,	Fotal Current Liabilities ROMISE: Inc		59,822	_	
LIABILITIES SUBJECT TO COMP Intercompany F.F. Soucy L.P. Intercompany Brant Industries, Accounts Payable Intercompany White Birch Papa	Fotal Current Liabilities ROMISE: Inc		59,822 8,165,065	_	10,731,075
LIABILITIES SUBJECT TO COMP Intercompany F.F. Soucy L.P. Intercompany Brant Industries, Accounts Payable Intercompany White Birch Papa	Fotal Current Liabilities ROMISE: Inc er Company	_	59,822 8,165,065	_	10,731,075 144,085,404 154,816,479
LIABILITIES SUBJECT TO COMP Intercompany F.F. Soucy L.P. Intercompany Brant Industries, Accounts Payable Intercompany White Birch Paper STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY Contributed Capital	Fotal Current Liabilities ROMISE: Inc er Company		59,822 8,165,065	_	10,731,075 144,085,404 154,816,479 97,371,253
LIABILITIES SUBJECT TO COMP Intercompany F.F. Soucy L.P. Intercompany Brant Industries, Accounts Payable Intercompany White Birch Papa STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY Contributed Capital Retained Earnings (Deficit)	Fotal Current Liabilities ROMISE: Inc er Company Fotal Liabilities	_	59,822 8,165,065	_	10,731,075 144,085,404 154,816,479 97,371,253 (109,538,092)
LIABILITIES SUBJECT TO COMP Intercompany F.F. Soucy L.P. Intercompany Brant Industries, Accounts Payable Intercompany White Birch Pape STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY Contributed Capital Retained Earnings (Deficit)	Fotal Current Liabilities ROMISE: Inc er Company	_	59,822 8,165,065		10,731,075 144,085,404 154,816,479 97,371,253

INCOME STATEMENT (MOR-2) MONTH OF JANUARY (IN USD)

	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
	MONTH OF JANUARY	MONTH OF JANUARY
SALES		
Gross	\$ 8,767,944	\$ 9,907,080
Freight	(623,385)	(645,329)
Net Sales	8,144,559	9,261,751
COST OF GOODS SOLD	(7,323,388)	(10,632,791)
Gross Profit (Loss)	821,171	(1,371,040)
GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSE		
Sales Commission	(263,039)	(297,212)
Write off of Goodwill	0	0
Other	(158,797)	(49,411)
Operating Profit (Loss)	399,335	(1,717,663)
OTHER INCOME (EXPENSE)		
Interest Income	0	0
Interest Expense	0	(23,743)
Other Income	0	0
Net Income (Loss)	399,335	(1,741,406)
DEFICIT BEGINNING OF PERIOD	(109,937,427)	(103,455,273)
PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT	0	0
DISTRIBUTION DURING THE PERIOD	0	0
DEFICIT END OF PERIOD	\$ (109,538,092)	\$ <u>(105,196,679)</u>

CASH RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS (MOR-3) JANUARY 1, 2011 THROUGH JANUARY 31, 2011 BOOK BALANCE (IN USD)

		CURRENT PERIOD	Ar Air	CUMULATIVE
	AN BOST FACE	1/1/2011 - 1/31/2011		FILING TO DATE
BEGINNING CASH				
I. CASH - BEGINNING OF PERIOD	\$	11,504,819	\$	4,106,521
RECEIVABLES FROM WHITE BIRCH		" • , • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	L	-37
2. CASH RECEIVABLES	\$	1,255,161	\$	2,025,616
COLLECTION OF ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE			L	
3. PREPETITION	\$	<u> </u>	\$	12,458,973
4. POSTPETITION	\$	10,958,769	\$	115,688,751
5. TOTAL OPERATING RECEIPTS	\$	10,958,769	\$	128,147,724
NON - OPERATING RECEIPTS	1 4		L	
6. LOANS & ADVANCES (ATTACH LIST)	\$		\$	
7. SALE OF ASSETS	\$		\$	***
8. OTHER (ATTACH LIST)	\$		\$	7T
9. TOTAL NON-OPERATING RECEIPTS	\$		\$	
10. TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$	12,213,930	\$	130,173,340
11. TOTAL CASH AVAILABLE	\$	23,718,749	\$	134,279,861
OPERATING DISBURSEMENTS	ļΨ	25,710,747	Ψ	134,277,001
12. PAYROLL RELATED	\$	1,396,838	\$	15,914,563
13. CHEMICALS	\$	1,184,267	\$	10,274,965
14. CLOTHING, WIRES AND FELTS	\$	172,751	\$	2,360,780
15. SERVICES	\$	623,749	\$	4,669,263
16. EMPLOYEE RELATED	\$	10,849	\$	147,158
17. EQUIPMENT	\$	1,245,432	\$	6,894,975
18. FREIGHT	\$	739,439	\$	11,340,259
19. INVENTORY	\$	323,592	\$	5,026,187
20. LEASES	\$	20,029	\$	264,770
21. MISCELLANEOUS	\$	160	\$	147,648
22. OFFICE SUPPLIES AND INSURANCE	\$	250,019	\$	2,500,219
23. OPERATING SUPPLIES	\$	12,003	\$	282,908
24. RECYCLED FIBER	\$	1,087,112	\$	11,237,237
25. WOOD FIBER	\$	1,340,224	\$	13,969,229
24. UTILITIES	\$	2,842,743	\$	27,820,843
25. TAXES	\$	668,178	\$	856,541
25. CORPORATE DISBURSEMENTS - MGMT FEE	\$	409,610	\$	3,829,100
26. TOTAL OPERATING DISBURSEMENTS	\$	12,326,995	\$	117,536,645
REORGANIZATION EXPENSES	ļΨ	12,020,770	Ψ	117,000,010
27. PROFESSIONAL FEES	\$	123,834	\$	5,402,296
28. U.S. TRUSTEE FEES	\$	30,000	\$	103,000
29. OTHER (ATTACH LIST)	\$	30,000	\$	103,500
30. TOTAL REORGANIZATION EXPENSES	\$	153,834	\$	5,505,296
31. TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	\$	12,480,829	\$	123,041,941
CASH HELD BY WHITE BIRCH PAPER	Ψ	12,700,027	Ψ	x20,0 11,7T1
32. CASH RECEIVABLE FROM WHITE BIRCH	\$	913,929	\$	913,929
ENDING CASH	1 4	713,747	Ψ	713,727
33. CASH - END OF MONTH	\$	10,323,991	\$	10,323,991
33. CASH - END OF MONTH	Þ	10,323,391	Φ	10,323,991

ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE, ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND TAXES (MOR 4) AS OF JANUARY 31, 2011 (IN USD)

Ů.	ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE AGING (MOR-4a)					
830	AGING PERIOD	AMOUNT				
1.	0-30	\$9,328,622				
2.	31-60	\$2,164,963				
3.	61-90	\$77,025				
4.	91+	\$345,589				
5.	TOTAL ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE	\$11,916,199				
6.	AMOUNT CONSIDERED UNCOLLECTIBLE	\$1,339,744				
7.	ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE (NET)	\$10,576,455				

	AGING OF POS	PETITION PAYABLES	6 (MOR-4b)		
PAYABLE	0-30 DAYS	31-60 DAYS	61-90 DAYS	91+ DAYS	TOTAL
1. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE	\$2,112,332	\$31,462	\$401	\$0	\$2,144,195

STATUS OF POSTPETITION TAXES (MOR-4c)							
	BEGINNING TAX LIABILITY	AMOUNT WITHHELD AND/OR ACCRUED	AMOUNT PAID	TOTAL			
FEDERAL	See Note 2 Below						
1. WITHHOLDING							
2. FICA-EMPLOYEE							
3. FICA-EMPLOYER							
4. UNEMPLOYMENT							
5. INCOME							
6. OTHER (ATTACH LIST)							
7. TOTAL FEDERAL TAXES							
STATE AND LOCAL							
8. WITHHOLDING							
9. SALES							
10. EXCISE							
11. UNEMPLOYMENT							
12. REAL PROPERTY							
13. PERSONAL PROPERTY							
14. OTHER (ATTACH LIST)							
15. TOTAL STATE & LOCAL							
16. TOTAL TAXES							

NOTE 2: Bear Island believes that it is current on all tax obligations as of January 31, 2011.

BANK RECONCILIATIONS, INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS AND CASH (MOR-5) AS OF JANUARY 31, 2011 (IN USD)

The debtor in possession must complete the reconciliation below for each bank account, including all general, payroll and tax accounts, as well as all savings and investment, accounts, money market accounts, certificates of deposit, government obligations, etc. Accounts with restricted funds should be identified by placing an asterisk next to the account number. Attach additional sheets if necessary.

200	BANK RECONCILIATIONS (MOR-5a)							
100		ACCOUNT#1	ACCOUNT#2	ACCOUNT#3	ACCOUNT #4	ACCOUNT #5	ACCOUNT #6	TOTAL
A.	BANK:	HSBC Bank USA, NA (i)	HSBC Bank USA, NA	HSBC Bank USA, NA	SunTrust Bank (1)(2)	SunTrust Bank (2)	SunTrust Bank (2)	
B.	ACCOUNT NUMBER:	XXX-XX011-7	XXX-XX064-8	XXX-XX063-0	XXXXXX0374	XXXXX4341	XXXXX0404	
C.	PURPOSE (TYPE):	Collection Acct. (USD)	Payables Disb. (USD)	Payroll Disb. (USD)	Collection Acet. (USD)	Payables Disb. (USD)	Payroll Disb. (USD)	
1.	BALANCE PER BANK STATEMENT	s -	S 12,355,133	\$ -	s -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 12,355,133
2.	ADD: TOTAL DEPOSITS NOT CREDITED	\$ -	\$ -		\$.	s -	\$ -	\$ -
3.	SUBTRACT: OUTSTANDING CHECKS	S -	\$ (2,007,134)	\$ (6,076)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (2,013,210)
4.	OTHER RECONCILING ITEMS	s -	\$ (24,008)	\$ 6,076	\$ -	\$ -	S -	\$ (17,932)
5.	MONTH END BALANCE PER BOOKS	S -	\$ 10,323,991	\$ (0)	\$.	S -	S -	\$10,323,991
6.	NUMBER OF LAST CHECK WRITTEN	N/A	17525	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	

NOTE 1: Amounts for HSBC account XXX-XX011-7 are aggregated with HSBC account XXX-XX064-8. Amounts for SunTrust account XXXXX0374 are aggregated with SunTrust account XXXXX4341. NOTE 2: All SunTrust accounts are in the process of being closed.

INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS (MOR-Sb)							
BANK, ACCOUNT NAME & NUMBER	DATE OF PURCHASE	TYPE OF INSTRUMENT	PURCHASE PRICE	DATE OF PURCHASE	TYPE OF INSTRUMENT	PURCHASE PRICE	CURRENT VALUE
7. NONE							
8.							
9.							
10. 11. TOTAL INVESTMENTS							

CASH (MOR-5e)	
12. CURRENCY ON HAND	\$ 700
13. TOTAL CASH - END OF MONTH (BOOK BALANCE)	\$10,324,691

PAYMENTS TO INSIDERS, RESTRUCTURING PROFESSIONALS, POSTPETITION STATUS OF LEASES PAYABLE AND ADEQUATE PROTECTION PAYMENTS (MOR 6) JANUARY 1, 2011 THROUGH JANUARY 31, 2011 (IN USD)

OF THE TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS SHOWN FOR THE MONTH, LIST THE AMOUNT PAID TO INSIDERS (AS DEFINED IN SECTION 101 (31) (A)-(F) OF THE U.S. BANKRUPTCY CODE) AND TO PROFESSIONALS. ALSO, FOR PAYMENTS TO INSIDERS, IDENTIFY THE TYPE OF COMPENSATION PAID (e.g. SALARY, BONUS, COMMISSIONS, INSURANCE, HOUSING ALLOWANCE, TRAVEL, CAR ALLOWANCE, ETC.). ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY.

	INSIDERS (MOR-6a)	
NAME	TYPE OF PAYMENT	AMOUNT	TOTAL PAID TO DATE
1. None			
2.			
3.			
4,			
5,			
6. TOTAL PAYMENTS TO INSIDERS	***************************************		

RESTRUCTURING PROFESSIONALS (MOR-6b) ^(I)						
NAME	INVOICE DATE	INVOICE NUMBER	PAYMENT DATE	AMOUNT PAID	PERIOD COVERED	
1. AlixPartners LLP/White Birch	12/31/2010	2029489	1/10/2011	\$134,020	12/1/2010 through 12/31/2010	
2 FTI Consulting	12/29/2010	November, 2010	1/25/2011	\$42,582	[1/1/2011 through 11/30/2011	
3 Hunton & Williams, LLP	12/29/2010	November, 2010	1/25/2011	\$14,121	11/1/2011 through 11/30/2011	
4 Kirkland & Ellis/Bear Island	12/17/2010	November, 2010	1/10/2011	\$67,130	11/1/2011 through 11/30/2011	
5 Lazard Freres Co., LLC	12/9/2010	December, 2010	1/18/2011	\$105,391	12/1/2010 through 12/31/2010	
6 Lazard Freres Co., LLC	1/4/2011	January, 2011	1/10/2011	\$100,000	1/1/2011 through 1/31/2011	
TOTAL PROFESSIONAL FEES				\$463,244		

NOTE 1: White Birch Paper Company ("White Birch") remits most, but not all, payments in exchange for services related to Bear Island's restructuring. Subsequently, White Birch may transfer charges allocated to Bear Island using intercompany transfers. However, due to the cross-border nature of White Birch's business and this Chapter 11 case, payments identified in response to MOR 6(b) concern amounts expended not only for Bear Island's restructuring, but also for certain of its affiliates. These payments are identified in the aggregate amount and Bear Island has made no attempt to apportion any amounts to the respective entities that incurred specific charges for restructuring services. This schedule excludes payments made by White Birch with respect to professional restructuring services provided solely to Canadian affiliates.

POSTPETITION STA	ATUS OF LEASES PAYABLI	E (MOR-6c)	
NAME OF CREDITOR	SCHEDULED MONTHLY PAYMENTS DUE	AMOUNTS PAID DURING PERIOD	TOTAL UNPAID POSTPETITION
3. Toyota Financial Services	15	\$0	\$6,694
4. Wells Fargo Financial Leasing	5	\$1,404	\$7,020
5. Caterpillar Financial Services	13	\$2,822	\$36,687
Caterpillar Financial Services	9	\$2,851	\$25,666
7. General Electric Capital Corp.	5	\$5,088	\$25,440
8. NMHG Financial Services (VBS)	13	\$3,490	\$45,370
9. Ford Motor Credit (Post petition)	30	\$466	\$13,960
10 VBS (post petition)	30	\$3,908	\$102,840
11 Pitney Bowes	0	\$0	\$0
12. TOTAL		\$20,029	\$263,677

	ADEQUATE PROTECTION PAYMENTS (MOR-6d)					
	NAME OF CREDITOR	CHECK NUMBER	CHECK DATE	DEPOSIT TYPE	CHECK AMOUNT	
1	None					
2.						
3.						
4.	TOTAL					

QUESTIONNAIRE, INSURANCE AND INSTALLMENT PAYMENTS (MOR-7)

QUESTIONNAIRE (MOR-7a)					
	YES	<u>NO</u>			
1. HAVE ANY ASSETS BEEN SOLD OR TRANSFERRED OUTSIDE		X			
THE NORMAL COURSE OF BUSINESS THIS REPORTING PERIOD?		Λ			
2. HAVE ANY FUNDS BEEN DISBURSED FROM ANY ACCOUNT	х				
OTHER THAN A DEBTOR IN POSSESSION ACCOUNT?	^				
3. ARE ANY POSTPETITION RECEIVABLES (ACCOUNTS, NOTES, OR	Х				
LOANS) DUE FROM RELATED PARTIES?	A				
4. HAVE ANY PAYMENTS BEEN MADE ON PREPETITION LIABILITIES	Х				
THIS REPORTING PERIOD?	Α				
5. HAVE ANY POSTPETITION LOANS BEEN RECEIVED BY THE	X				
DEBTOR FROM ANY PARTY?	A				
6. ARE ANY POSTPETITION PAYROLL TAXES PAST DUE?		X			
7. ARE ANY POSTPETITION STATE OR FEDERAL INCOME TAXES		X			
PAST DUE?		Λ			
8. ARE ANY POSTPETITION REAL ESTATE TAXES PAST DUE?		X			
9. ARE ANY OTHER POSTPETITION TAXES PAST DUE?		X			
10. ARE ANY AMOUNTS OWED TO POSTPETITION CREDITORS		X			
DELINQUENT?		Λ			
11. HAVE ANY PREPETITION TAXES BEEN PAID DURING THE	Х				
REPORTING PERIOD?	^				
12. ARE ANY WAGE PAYMENTS PAST DUE?		X			

IF THE ANSWER TO ANY OF THE ABOVE QUESTIONS IS "YES," PROVIDE A DETAILED EXPLANATION OF EACH ITEM. ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY.

INSURANCE (MOR-7b)				
	YES	NO		
ARE WORKER'S COMPENSATION, GENERAL LIABILITY AND OTHER NECESSARY INSURANCE COVERAGES IN EFFECT?	X			
2. ARE ALL PREMIUM PAYMENTS PAID CURRENT?	X			
3. PLEASE ITEMIZE POLICIES BELOW.				

IF THE ANSWER TO ANY OF THE ABOVE QUESTIONS IS "NO," OR IF ANY POLICIES HAVE BEEN CANCELLED OR NOT RENEWED DURING THIS REPORTING PERIOD, PROVIDE AN EXPLANATION BELOW. ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY.

INSURANCE POLICY ITEMIZATION (MOR-7b #3) (1)					
TYPE OF POLICY	POLICY NUMBER	CARRIER			
Excess Fiduciary Liability	MNN587506	Axis Insurance Company			
Property	1-72576-XG633	FM Global			
Ocean Cargo	0025-89-08DTO	Chubb Group of Insurance Companies			
Crime	10BDDAP1041	The Hartford			
Pension and Welfare Benefit Plan Fiduciary Liability	14-MG-09-A9767	Houston Casualty Company			
Directors, Officers and Organization Liability	14-MGU-09-A19390	U.S. Specialty Insurance Company			
Excess Liability Insurance	TL2-621-093858-019	Liberty Mutual Insurance Company			
Commercial Excess Liability Umbrella	YSM-CUP-7359N472-TIL-10	Travelers Property Casualty Company of America			
Commercial General Liability and Employee Benefits	Y-660-77N4110-COF-10	The Charter Oak Fire Insurance Company			
Commercial Automobile	Y-8107359N460-TIL-10	Travelers Property Casualty Company of America			

NOTE 1: All insurance premiums are paid by White Birch and charged to Bear Island through intercompany transactions.

RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS 2, 3, 5 & 10 FROM MOR-7a

- Question #2 White Birch remits most, but not all, payments in exchange for services related to Bear Island's restructuring, as well as insurance coverage. Subsequently, White Birch transfers charges allocated to Bear Island utilizing intercompany transfers.
- Question #3 As part of the company's cash management system, White Birch receives customer receipts and deposits them into a White Birch owned lockbox.

 Then, when available, cash in an amount equal to the receivables owed to Bear Island is transferred from the White Birch lockbox to a Bear Island owned HSBC account. The cash receivable from White Birch to Bear Island on January 31, 2011 was \$913,929. For additional information regarding Bear Island's cash management system, please see Motion of Bear Island Paper Company, L.L.C. for Entry of an Order Authorizing, but not Directing, the Debtor to:

 (A) Continue Using Its Existing Cash Management System, Bank Accounts and Business Forms; (B) Maintain Existing Investment Practices; and (C) Continue Performing Ordinary Course Intercompany Transactions [Docket No. 8].
- Question #5 Although Bear Island is a borrower under the \$140,000,000 Senior Secured Super-Priority Debtor-In-Possession Term Loan Credit Agreement (the "DIP Facility"), all funds borrowed under the DIP Facility are held by White Birch and its Canadian affiliate F.F. Soucy Inc. & Partners L.P. No funds borrowed under the DIP Facility have been transferred to Bear Island.

RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS 4 & 11 FROM MOR-7a PAYMENTS FOR PREPETITION LIABILITIES JANUARY 1, 2011 THROUGH JANUARY 31, 2011 (IN USD)

PAYMENTS FOR PREPETITION LIABILITIES						
PAYMENT CATEGORY	DATE OF COURT ORDER AUTHORIZING PAYMENT	AMOUNT APPROVED	AMOUNT PAID	TOTAL PAID TO DATE	TOTAL INCURRED & UNPAID	
COMMON CARRIER/LIEN	2/26/2010	\$1,900,000	\$0	\$969,832	\$115,404	
2. TAXES	2/26/2010 AND 3/24/2010	\$250,000	\$97,777	\$147,220	\$34,686	
WAGES & BENEFITS	2/26/2010 AND 3/24/2010	N/A	\$0	\$589,823	\$0	
4. INSURANCE	2/26/2010 AND 3/24/2010	\$41,000 PER MONTH	\$0	\$103,219	\$103,219	
5. TOTAL			\$97, <i>777</i>	\$1,810,094	\$253,309	